

New Mexico Letter.

Ed. Press:—Having been asked by several of my friends before leaving home to write something of this country as I see it. As I have been on the go since I have been here and most of the time some 65 miles from the post office have not had the chance to write to each one personally, so if you will allow me space I will endeavor to tell them something through the columns of the Press.

We left Marion April 3rd for Portales. After a two days stay at Portales rambling over valleys and plains we went to Mexico and took the new road, which is being built by the Santa Fe, for a "trunk" line from Chicago to San Francisco.

Our 8 miles on this road we found what we thought to be the "Land of Promise." Here in the beautiful Pecos Valley lies thousands of acres of as good and as can be found in the U. S., subject to homestead. A land that has been the paradise of the cattle and sheep kings. On account of its remoteness from the railroad it has layed dormant all these years. But since the railroad has penetrated this heretofore neglected part of the territory the homeseekers are coming by every train, and the land is being filed on rapidly; it will be only a short time until the land for miles on either side of the railroad will be taken.

Here is some of the most picturesque scenery we have seen in our travels. As we wound our way up and over the Cap Rocks to the plains or table lands, and on reaching the top a delightful scene presents itself to the eye. To the north as far as one can see lays the wide stretch of the plains with its thousands of cattle gently dipping the native grass, which is sufficient to keep them the year round. Looking south we behold the beautiful and fertile Pecos Valley with its numerous flocks of sheep.

Our visit to Ft. Sumner and the old Mexican town was a very interesting feature of our travels. This historic old fort is one of the oldest in the southwest, which was a military post back in the fifties. Here we stood by the mound beneath which rests the remains of "Billy the Kid" one of the most notorious outlaws the world has ever known, when we take into consideration his age and the length of his career—having been betrayed and killed in this old Mexican town at the age of 21 years after taking the lives of that many men. But the most attractive sight to a Kentuckian—one that has been raised in the sticks—was the trees, the first we had seen for several days, which were planted by the soldiers some 60 years ago. Along the banks of the river for a distance of five miles are two rows of majestic looking cottonwood trees on either side of a 50 foot driveway.

In the quaint old adobe town we found a population of 200 Mexicans living in their adobe houses and in idleness. Only one white man in the town.

Any one looking for a home would do well to investigate this, the pearl of all the valleys I have seen. Above all the financial possibilities of this valley comes that of health; it being 4000 feet above sea level, dry and almost continuous sunshine. It is undoubtedly a healthful place for weak lungs and many other diseases. Health and prosperity combined are features in life we can not overlook.

Your truly,
J. B. SIMPSON.

SHERIDAN.

B. B. Terry was 35 years old May 4th, and bachelor like wanted a birthday cake. He asked a lady if she would bake it for him if he would furnish the ingredients, to which she consented. Mr. Terry not knowing what it took, went and got some flour, three eggs and three cups of sugar which he delivered to the lady, and went away to work on the road, thinking all day of the good cake which was being prepared for his supper; on his return home he found a nice looking cake prepared for him, and to his surprise when he began eating it he found it to be a corn cake dressed in white. The laugh was on Mr. Terry, but he enjoyed it as well as those present.

Mrs. Sue Yates has had her house painted.

Jas. Hughes, of Marion, is painting the residence of A. J. Bebout.

Harve Minner is painting the residence of Rev. B. L. Yates.

Sunday school at Deer Creek every Sunday evening.

There has been an Epworth League organized at Siloam.

Rev. B. L. Yates will fill his appointment at Oaklin church third Sunday.

Rev. W. D. Humphrey will preach at Oaklin church third Sunday night in May. Everybody invited.

Martha Yates has just closed a spring term of school at Sheridan.

George Yates is cutting some fine lumber for T. E. Griffith. We understand he is going to move his mill to the Sam Smith spring soon.

Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

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Letter from Arkansas.

DANASCUS, ARK., April 27.—Editor Press: If you will allow me space I will give my friends an account of my trip from Needmore to this place, which is situated on the Pine mountains, in the north part of the valley of possum tail.

I went over the Boston mountains fifteen miles, then through Greasy Valley. My wife says my face is still as long as the ramrod of a shotgun. I walked 15 miles over the Boston mountains and never met any one. I crossed one creek three times and was still on the same side; fell off a log and ruined a \$2.50 pair of pants; paid 60 cents for two boiled eggs and three hot fritters. I helped to roll logs four hours and ruined a 49c pair of suspenders, then I struck greasy valley and got some corn juice and got licked so bad my wife don't know me yet.

I put up at the Crossroads Hotel, for which I paid \$1.75. I attended prayer meeting at night; had to kiss nine babies and give away a 40c plug of Star tobacco before I could make myself solid. Then I struck the valley of possum tail, as they call it. I stopped that night at Sheepskin, a post office and cotton gin and a half-story school house. There was a concert at the school house that night and of course I went and got acquainted with nineteen young ladies was flattered by six married ladies, who said I would make it through to my destination on account of my good looks and popularity. I also hugged two old maids, whipped three school teachers, one preacher and another smart alec.

The sap is rising in me to either go home or to some other seaport.

Your truly,

T. B. BOSWELL.

A Year of Blood.

The year of 1903 will long be remembered in the home of F. N. Tacket, of Alliance, Ky., as a year of blood, which flowed so copiously from Mr. Tacket's lungs that death seemed very near. He writes: "Severe bleeding from the lungs and a frightful cough had brought me to death's door, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, with the astonishing result that after taking four bottles I was completely restored and as time has proven permanently cured. Guaranteed for Sore Lungs, Coughs and colds at Woods & Orme's drug store. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Letter from Virginia.

HOUSTON, VA., April 29.—Dear Mr. Jenkins. Please allow me space in my old home paper, one that I read when I was but a small boy and how glad I would be if I could only

get my hands on the old Crittenden Press one more time, when I can enjoy reading that dear old paper again. I am now in Virginia, representing the E. E. Southernland Med. Co. selling Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey, Virginia is a fine old state; everything looks fine; wheat looks splendid; corn is up, everything is growing nicely. Watermelons are all the go; they are on every branch, and there are mills that are run with the water that has passed.

I will close by saying, give my love to Old Kentucky.

Respectfully,
HAB. TURNER.

California Senators.

Washington, May 2.—That the California Senators do not consider that there should at present be an effort made to secure government aid in the general reconstruction of the city of San Francisco, was made evident in the Senate today. The question came up on Mr. Newland's resolution directing the Finance committee of the Senate and the Ways and Means committee of the House to consider the feasibility of the Government guaranteeing bonds to aid in the rehabilitation of the stricken city. The Nevada Senator advocated the measure at some length, contending for the regularity of his suggestion and enlarging upon the desirability of making the city a more attractive center of population than it had ever been. Both Mr. Flint and Mr. Perkins deprecated the introduction of the resolution as unwise at this time and both indicated their opinion that the California delegation should have been consulted before the presentation of the message. The resolution was referred to the committee on Finance.

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Threescore And Ten.

Attention is frequently called to the fact that some one has passed his seventieth birthday and therefore has withdrawn from active service. When a man reaches that stage of life the newspaper reporters begin to ask if he is going to retire, is he going to resign, etc. If he does not, and gets safely past it, they cease to talk about him. Now the line drawn at the seventieth birthday is a curious survival of the effect of a positive statement made many centuries ago. The statement that the days of our years are threescore years and ten, was supposed to be given by divine inspiration and is still regarded with such superstition that it really sets and artificial limit to the vitality and activity of many who, when this time comes, surrender as they think to a decree of the Almighty. Now if some one could say with sufficient authority that the days of our years are fourscore years, it would probably add many years to the working time of mankind. People now often apologize for "living on borrowed time," as they say, after the Biblical

limit is past.

It is a fatal error to believe that we were tossed into a chaos of conflicting forces, to which we cannot adjust ourselves, and from the friction of which we cannot escape. The first canon that nature enacted is this, that no one shall trifle with or waste life; and the second is that we shall not form habits that tend to cause disease among our faculties or to enfeeble them. Obeying these exactions, the natural consequence is not weakness and decay, but strength and wholesomeness. O. O. W.

It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by Woods & Orme, the leading drug store in Western Kentucky.

McWade Comes Back at Pierce.

Washington, May 3.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs to-day listened to a statement by a former Consul General at Canton, China, McWade, in reply to charges made against him by Third Assistant Secretary of State Pierce. Affidavits were presented by Mr. McWade to show the unreliable and criminal character of those who inaugurated the charges.

When Mr. McWade had concluded members of the committee congratulated him on the fine showing he had made.

Mr. McWade made charges of a sensational nature against Assistant Secretary of State Pierce. It is considered quite probable that Congress may take up the matter of these charges at a later date.

The Cheerful Man.

The cheerful man is pre-eminently a useful man.

The cheerful man sees that everywhere the good outbalances the bad, and that every evil has its compensating balm.

A habit of cheerfulness enables one to transmute apparent misfortunes into real blessings.

He who has formed a habit of looking at the bright, happy side of things has a great advantage over the chronic dyspeptic, who sees no good in anything.

The cheerful man's thought sculpts his face into beauty and touches his manner with grace.

It was Lincoln's cheerfulness and sense of humor that enabled him to stand under the terrible load of the Civil War.

If we are cheerful and contented all nature smiles with us; the air is balmy, the sky blue, the earth has a brighter green, the trees have richer foliage, the flowers are more fragrant, the birds sing more sweetly, and the sun, moon and stars are more beautiful.

All good thought and good action claim a natural alliance with good cheer.

High-minded cheerfulness is found in great souls, self-poised and confident, in their own heaven-aided powers.

Serene cheerfulness is the great preventative of humanity's ills.

Grief, anxiety and fear are the great enemies of human life, and should be resisted as we resist the plague. Cheerfulness is their antidote.

Without cheerfulness there can be no healthy action, physical, mental, or moral, for it is the normal atmosphere of our being.

Had a Close Call.

"A dangerous surgical operation, involving the removal of a malignant ulcer, as large as my hand, from my daughter's hip, was prevented by the application of Bucklen's Arnica Salve says A. C. Stiegel, of Miletus, W. Va. "Persistent use of the Salve completely cured it." Cures Cuts, Burns and Injuries. 25c at Woods & Orme, druggists.

The Washington correspondent of the Courier-Journal has the following to say of Mrs. O. M. James' Box Party:

"Mrs. Ollie M. James gave a box party at the charity benefit matinee at the Belasco Theater to a number of ladies. Among her guests were Mrs. Frank Hopkins, Mrs. David H. Smith, and Miss Maria Fenwick Trimble, daughter of Representative South Trimble, of Frankfort. Mrs. James, one of the handsomest young women in the Southern Congressional delegation, was beautiful in a costume of black net. Miss Trimble, who is a guest of her father at the Riggs House for a few weeks, as a young girl essentially chic and attractive, with the Kentucky dash about her that always wins. She has been enjoying very flattering social distinction in Washington. She and her popular young brother, their father's secretary, have been attending a number of fashionable affairs."

Many Plans Submitted.

San Francisco, May 3.—No plan has yet been decided upon for securing funds for the restoration of this city. Although various schemes, some of them apparently feasible have been submitted to the General Committee, none of them has yet been given the semblance of official endorsement, and the local financiers continue to worry over the problem, hopeful that the early future will produce a solution that will relieve San Francisco from her great burden of individual and municipal distress. Each day at the assembling of the General and Finance Committees the subject has been up for discussion, but the disposition of those bodies is to be conservative and cautious, and it is probable that several of the financial world will be consulted before any definite proposition is formulated.

Wanted to See the Ruins.

Paducah, Ky., May 3.—Herbert Stewart, son of Dr. P. H. Stewart, and Sam Graham, two 12 year old lads, were returned today from St. Louis. They had started on a journey to San Francisco to see the ruins. The boys rented a skiff and rowed to Metropolis, Ill., where they abandoned it and proceeded by freight train to St. Louis. When their parents heard of the trip and the skiff was found drifting down the river, they were almost prostrated. Herbert Stewart started for Memphis when he heard that city was going to sink but was captured in the local Central railroad yards.

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FARMERSVILLE.

(Delayed Letter.)

Miss Gregston is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Maggio Spikard, of Ruth, is visiting relatives at this place this week.

Miss Ona McNeely has been visiting her brother Herbert for the past week.

The singing at Mr. Lowry's Sunday night was enjoyed very much by all present.

We enjoyed the nice shower of rain Monday night very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones, of Princeton, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jones, of this place.

Mr. J. M. Walker, of Iron Hill, visited relatives here Friday and Saturday.

Next Saturday and Sunday are the regular meeting days here.

Rev. Charles Gregston of Princeton, was down to see his mother and sister the latter part of last week.

Miss Lena McNeely was the guest of Miss Ona Deboe Saturday.

Mrs. Lynn Harper fell from the veranda Sunday evening and struck her head against a board which ended in a very severe headache.

Lem Martin made a flying trip to Crayneville Friday.

Mr. J. M. Brown, of Princeton is having a stock barn built on his farm at this place.

Mrs. Mack Morse has been very sick, but is improving.

Miss Ada Leech, of Bethany, visited Miss Sarah Taylor Sunday.

Miss Ida Harper, who has been suffering for the past two weeks with catarrh of the hand, is slowly improving.

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